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### PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER

To the Commissioner for Patents:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of Kiyoshi Sato for Magnetic Head Including a Gap-depth Defining Layer on Protruding Layer and Method for Manufacturing the Same.

Enclosed are:

- ☒ Preliminary Amendment
- ☒ 64 pages of application (including title page and Abstract), 15 sheets of formal drawings and the following Appendices: n/a
- ☒ Declaration and Power of Attorney for Patent Application
- ☒ Assignment transmittal letter and Assignment of the invention to: Alps Electric Co., Ltd.
- ☒ Submission of Certified Copy of Priority Document and certified copy of Japanese Application No(s). 2003-066221
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449, and reference A1

Claims as Filed	Col. 1	Col. 2
For	No. Filed	No. Extra
Basic Fee		
Total Claims	34 -20	14
Indep. Claims	2 -3	0
Multiple Dependent Claims Present		

Small Entity	
Rate	Fee
	\$ 385
x\$9=	\$
x\$43=	\$
+\$145=	\$
Total	\$

Other Than Small Entity	
Rate	Fee
	\$ 770
14 x\$18=	\$ 252
x\$86=	\$
+\$290=	\$
Total	\$ 1022

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